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SUBJ: PUERTO RICO AND THE COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24): AUSTRALIAN
QUERY

1. AUSTRALIAN MISOFF FORRESTER HAS SOLICITED OUR VIEWS ON THE ADVISABILITY OF A STATEMENT BY AUSTRALIA ON PUERTO RICO DURING THE COMMITTEE OF 24'S CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO. FORRESTER EMPHASIZED THAT NO DECISION WILL BE TAKEN WITHOUT CLOSE CONSULTATIONS WITH US ON TACTICS AND SUBSTANCE OF ANY STATEMENT. HE SUGGESTED A MEETING LATER IN THE WEEK TO REVIEW A PRELIMINARY DRAFT WHICH HE HAS PREPARED.

2. MISOFF POINTED OUT THAT WHILE IT MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR AUSTRALIANS TO REBUT CUBAN CHARGES ON PUERTO RICO AND TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT CONCERNING PUERTO RICO'S STATUS, AUSTRALIAN STATEMENT MIGHT HAVE THE EFFECT OF APPEARING TO LEGITIMIZE THE COMMITTEE'S CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO AND COULD IN ADDITION INVITE AN EXCHANGE WHICH MIGHT COMPLICATE EFFORTS TO SEEK POSTPONEMENT.

3. FORRESTER AGREED THAT NO STEP SHOULD BE TAKEN WHICH WOULD PREJUDICE ANY CLEAR MAJORITY IN FAVOR OF POST-PONEMENT.

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4. MISOFF WILL TRANSMIT AUSTRALIAN DRAFT TEXT WHEN IT IS

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